

August 14, 2011

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: IB Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I write in support of LightSquared's efforts to launch a nationwide 4G-LTE broadband wireless network. This network represents an exceptional opportunity to increase the amount of spectrum assigned to broadband wireless, a crucial goal of our National Broadband Plan.

LightSquared's integrated satellite-terrestrial network will greatly increase access to wireless broadband for the 26 million Americans who lack it, particularly in rural areas. This will greatly affect and benefit the state of Hawaii as the majority of the state is considered rural. The company is a long-standing satellite communications provider to the public safety and homeland security community, and the new network's ability to reach remote areas and provide seamless secure connectivity will be of great benefit to first responders, healthcare workers and emergency response personnel.

As a wholesale provider, LightSquared will allow smaller wireless providers to offer world-class service and also enable many new competitors to enter the wireless market. Competition brings innovation, greater customer choice and lower prices. LightSquared's network also will bring much-needed investment in the U.S. economy, creating 15,000 jobs a year during its buildout.

Without question, the potential for interference with GPS devices is a serious issue that the FCC must address. However, LightSquared's proposal to launch operations only in the lower 10 MHz of its licensed spectrum takes care of more than 99% of GPS receivers. Given the United States' urgent need for expanded wireless broadband capacity, it seems that the next step is for the GPS industry to make the necessary adjustments to its receivers to fix the remaining 1%.

For the benefit of our country please address this issue and find a way to enable LightSquared to provide wholesale 4G-LTE service in its spectrum.

Sincerely,

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